

TOWN OF MANSFIELD
Clean Energy Team
Minutes of the Meeting
July 23, 2009

Present: Hoyle, Nash, Loxsom, Spurlock, Britton, Walton

The meeting began at 5:10 p.m.

The notes from the April 23, 2009 minutes were reviewed.

The following refinements were made to the Mansfield \$500 Energy Challenge:

- The kick-off meeting will be scheduled in October 2009. Since availability in the Town Hall Council Chambers is limited, Walton will check with the Buchanan Auditorium.
- Participants will be required to attend this meeting.
- To encourage an examination of cooling systems, 2009 & 2010's May/June electrical data will be compared.
- Participants will have until the end of August 2010 to submit their information to us.
- Part of the kick-off presentation will include training on how to access electrical information on-line.
- The Clean Energy Team will work in pairs as coaching buddies, each pair assigned to one or more participating households.
- Participant households will receive a gift bag with weather stripping, low flow showerhead, compact fluorescent bulbs, etc.
- Through ECSU, Fred Loxsom will take infrared camera pictures of participating homes.
- Don Hoyle will contact Marion at Charter Communications to see if she would be interested in filming the progression of the challenge.
- Publicity is key. Hoyle will promote through WAIM, Walton will ask if the EO Smith Green Teens and Southeast School Green Thumbs Club are willing to promote.
- Places to post the flyer - the Community Center, Willimantic C-op, UConn Museum of Natural History, Storrs Farmers Market.
- Walton will draft a flyer by July 31.

As a group, the Clean Energy Team was asked to complete a Clean Energy Fund survey. Walton was directed to fill it out on their behalf.

Walton reported that the appropriated federal stimulus money that the Town of Mansfield will be receiving is earmarked for a much needed Town Hall energy management system. A UConn professor met with Walton to explore another use of the stimulus money. He is interested in researching whether certain styles of houses are less energy efficient than others as a way to rank order house types, and target those that are inefficient for audits.

A northeast regional clean energy task force meeting is tentatively scheduled for the evening of August 12. The location is yet to be determined.

Walton will schedule meetings regularly for the third Tuesdays of the month. The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 7:00 in conference room C.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Virginia Walton
Recycling/Refuse Coordinator

Cc: Lon R. Hultgren, Director of Public Works, Members, file, Town Manager, Town Clerk